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SOME JOB AHEAD FOR THE
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE

The fitness of a man for the Presidency is one thing; his ability to be elected is quite another. And the appeal to the public that would win out on election day presupposes a fair measure of fitness.

The best and fittest man God Almighty ever sent into this world, beaten at the polls, could not turn a wheel. On the other hand, the man of less ideal capacity who wins on election day has it in him, buttressed by the House and Senate, and by the strong men of the Republican party, to be a mighty useful man just now, with this incompetent Democratic Administration in control at Washington.

Isn't it about time for Republicans everywhere to get down to fundamentals and show a little horse sense—to think more and talk more about the men who would run best, and think less and talk less about high-brow statesmen as candidates for the Presidency this year? Neither is this a year for dark horses, or for middleweight or lightweight champions. The very strongest running man at the command of the Republican party, whoever he is, will have his work cut out for him good and plenty. Those who think it will be an easy matter to win out against Wilson are pipe-dreamers.

Wilson is in the saddle, all the world is at war, or on the edge of war. Wilson has kept us out of war, no matter at what sacrifice of national dignity, national duty, and national self-respect. And this, to some people, to a good many people, means more than anything else. Business is bounding as never before, and riches are rolling up as never before. Everybody is busy, wages are mounting higher and higher, and luxury is running riot in the land—some combination for the Republican candidate to get away with. Make no mistake about this.

SIDESTEPPING SUFFRAGE

Neither suffragists nor "antis" are the gainers by the action of the House Judiciary Committee in sidestepping the suffrage issue. The committee has sidetracked the suffrage amendment until next December. That will make the fight all the more bitter when it does come. Plenty of ardent suffragists believe that suffrage is a State issue, and not a national question. The wing of the suffrage forces which insists upon making a national issue out of woman suffrage shows no disposition to allay its activities. Instead we may expect more suffrage "valentines," more parades, and more delegations to Congressmen.

All that has become tiresome, to no more so, probably, than to the suffragists. They are within their rights in asking that Congress face the situation squarely. Any movement that has millions behind it is entitled to consideration on its merits.

The time for suffrage propaganda is almost past and gone. There is a growing sentiment in favor of votes for women. There still is doubt as to how suffrage should come. That is the point on which Congress is asked to decide, and which deserves something more than sidestepping at Congressmen's hands.

LODGE ON THE SUBMARINE

There is no man on the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate capable of better judgment in dealing with our delicate affairs abroad as Senator Lodge. In years there has been no member of the Senate who could have been more useful to the country in its international relations than Senator Lodge.

Senator Lodge explained to the Senate and the nation the impossibility of assenting to the Berlin doctrine that submarines should torpedo armed merchantmen without notice.

It is true that the Administration finally got back to the fundamental principles never questioned by the American Government before his time, and never questioned by Mr. Wilson himself until one year and a half after the opening of the war of Europe. Nevertheless, it is well to lay emphasis on one point which Senator Lodge made in his speech; and it may not be amiss to remark that he had announced his intention of addressing the Senate on this subject before the Administration changed front—a fact which may have had a very considerable influence in causing that change before this matter should come up in the Senate.

Senator Lodge has made it unmistakably clear that this Govern-

ment could not assent to the new Berlin doctrine without abjuring its neutrality. For a Government cannot take action which tends to change created and existing conditions of a war in progress without permitting an unfriendly act to one or the other of the belligerents concerned.

This Government could not assent to a British doctrine promulgated today that submarine warfare was piracy without abjuring its neutrality and without committing a hostile act against Germany. Germany would be justified in declaring war upon us for assenting to that new doctrine aimed at her.

There is no difference, in principle or in effect, when it comes to assenting to the new Berlin doctrine as to submarines and armed merchantmen. Just as in the one case Germany would be justified, so in the other case the allies would be justified in declaring war against us for our breach of neutrality, unfriendly course, and hostile act.

ROOT AND ROOSEVELT

Mr. William Barnes has paid high tribute to the public services and abilities of Elihu Root; and a tribute not undeserved. He said:

Who in the United States is better qualified, through knowledge of events, experience in public life and wealth of natural quality, than Elihu Root, for the great Chief Magistracy of one hundred millions of people in the new relation which circumstance has forced upon them?

Mr. Barnes would probably say, if he were called upon to analyze Mr. Root's public services, that his greatest services were rendered as Secretary of War and Secretary of State. As Secretary of War he created the general staff system of the army and otherwise provided a splendid administration. As Secretary of State he proved himself one of the greatest diplomats in the world and one of the ablest foreign ministers this country has had.

But it will hardly be claimed that later, as a United States Senator, he demonstrated quite the same commanding capacity. He was not the dominating figure in the Senate that he had been in administrative places. He was a leader, a strong man, a useful one, in the Senate; but the high point in his public service was most decidedly touched in his Cabinet service.

Why was Mr. Root at his apogee when he sat in the Cabinet, and less impressive as a Senator? There is no uncertainty about the answer. In the Cabinet, he was associated with, guided by, a President who possessed vision, imagination, initiative, and great constructive ability. Theodore Roosevelt was precisely the chief of state to make the most of Mr. Root's splendid capabilities.

Root as President, his own chief, might be a very different figure. Last year he was head of the New York constitutional convention, and made one of the greatest efforts of his life. But his constitution was rejected by more than half a million votes by the people of New York. The plain truth is that Mr. Root was a declining figure in the Senate—compared to his earlier eminence—and that as constitution-maker he failed.

There is, then, nothing in the Root career as a whole to insure that as President, if he could be elected, he would measure up to the standard he fixed when he was a Cabinet member under Roosevelt. Furthermore, it is as certain as anything in affairs ever can be, that he could not be elected. To nominate him for President would be, not to insure his services to the nation, but to insure that he could not serve because he would not be elected.

Root has been greatest as a minister under Roosevelt. The country may see the day, and that before very long, when it will need its greatest diplomat at the foreign office. It has just one way to insure that it can get him, and get his abilities plus the inspiration that invested him when he worked with Roosevelt. That is to make Roosevelt the chief of state.

To elect Root is impossible. Even if it were possible, he would not be the same Root without the Roosevelt leadership. The conclusion is inevitable, and it ought to be accepted most readily by people most convinced that Root is needed by the nation in its present crisis.

CITY'S HOUSING PROBLEM

Washington has heretofore had Senator Works' word for it that the city was infested with slums. Now comes Mrs. Albion Fellows Bacon, author of the Indiana housing law, and asserts that "housing conditions here are a national scandal."

In a few sections, and in some alleys, conditions in Washington are pretty bad. No one will gainsay that. Neither can anyone deny that conditions have been vastly improved since Washington discovered its own shortcomings and one of its own charity workers wrote a book exposing conditions. Moreover the city is on the road to improvement by virtue of the law by which alleys must be vacated by July 1, 1918.

The situation does not call for any more muckraking, but for intelligent study. It does not make for clearer

judgment to discourse on the perils of the slums, because intelligent citizens already know the conditions. They know they are not nearly so bad as in other cities; and they know they are far worse than they should be here.

Whether the legislation relative to evacuation of the alleys by human habitations was altogether wise or not, the fact remains that such a clearing of the alleys is not going to solve our housing problem. Transferring a family from an alley to a street is not going to make its members sanitary or teach them the laws of hygiene. Neither does the legislation cover the pertinent problem of the added rent these families will have to pay.

The alleys ought to be cleared of dwellings. No far seeing citizen argues against that. But, in so doing, another housing problem is created which will be just as pressing for some years to come.

Building of the Ellen Wilson homes may point the way to a possible alleviation. They will be welcomed as a demonstration of what may be done to meet the situation. But they will be far from adequate unless the plan is widely adopted. The fact remains that most builders are in business to make a substantial, and not a nominal, return on their investments.

Forces in work in all cities which send persons to new homes in outlying sections, and leave the older downtown residence blocks vacant, are in work in Washington. The building of apartment houses is another factor. These movements need to be studied, and only by such study can any intelligent housing program be devised in which business men will co-operate.

A BRANDEIS IMPROPRIETY

It seems a manifest impropriety, as well as bad judgment, for a United States district attorney in charge of Federal proceedings against a corporation to appear in the United States Senate at the Brandeis hearing as a cross-examiner of an official of that corporation.

The president of the United Shoe Machinery Company was being examined by the Senate committee of the Senate as to his previous relations with Brandeis both before and after Brandeis was an officer of, and counsel for, that company. Winslow was not under examination as to the acts, legal or illegal, of his company. He was not under examination as to his own conduct, within or without the law, as president of the company. Above all, he was not on trial before the Senate committee in shoe machinery matters, or anything else.

Winslow had been called by the Senate committee to testify about Brandeis, especially the professional conduct of Brandeis as a legal adviser of the United Shoe Machinery Company at one time and as a legal antagonist of the United Shoe Machinery Company at another time.

But the United States district attorney who is prosecuting the shoe machinery company at Boston for violation of the laws of the United States was taken down to Washington to examine—as a part of the Senate hearings—as to the fitness of Brandeis to serve on the Supreme Court—the president of the company against which he is directing court proceedings in Boston.

If the United States district attorney at Boston went without the knowledge and consent of the Department of Justice to engage in such business in the United States Senate he ought to have been packed out of the hearing by his superior officers in mighty short order. If the Department of Justice ordered him to go down to that work of trying to help Brandeis into the Supreme Court, under such extraordinary circumstances as those we have related, the Attorney General of the United States ought to get a sharp reminder from his superior officer, the President.

Nobody ought to realize more keenly than Mr. Wilson the impropriety of a course which appears to the public, though nothing of the kind may have been done or intended, to use the machinery and the power of the Department of Justice as an obstruction in the way of anyone opposing Brandeis for the Supreme Court.

REV. H. I. HOWARD
ARRANGES SERMONS

First of Series at Second Baptist To Be Preached Tomorrow.

At the Second Baptist Church tomorrow the pastor, the Rev. Howard I. Stewart, will begin a series of Sunday evening sermons on the general topic, "New Testament Tragedies."

The special subjects and dates will be as follows: February 20, "The Tragedy of a Lost Crown"; February 27, "The Tragedy of a Heartstone"; March 5, "The Tragedy of Two Strange Words"; March 12, "The Tragedy of an Ill-fated Ship"; March 19, "The Tragedy of an Arrested Horseman"; March 26, "The Tragedy of a Nameless Coward"; April 2, "The Tragedy of a Trifling Prince"; April 9, "The Tragedy of a Queen's Revenge."

The topics for the series are familiar New Testament pictures, decorated with new names, and will form the basis of evangelistic services.

Tomorrow morning the theme will be "The City of Big Things," followed by right hand of fellowship to new members and the Lord's Supper.

HAPPENINGS OF THE
WEEK IN CAPITAL CHURCHES

Services Begin Tomorrow and Will Be Continued Until Thursday.

Tomorrow morning when the Rev. W. D. Skellenger preaches a sermon on "Zion Is Perfect Beauty," the formal dedication services of the newly constructed First Presbyterian Church, at Twelfth and M streets, will begin. Tomorrow evening, the Rev. Tytus Davis, of Washington, will preach the dedication services proper will be held on Tuesday evening, the Rev. Dr. Charles Wood, of the Church of the Covenant, presiding at the dedicatory sermon. The Rev. Dr. Skellenger will preside at this service, and the architect, George B. Smith, will turn the keys of the edifice over to the board of trustees.

For "Old Home Night," on Wednesday, invitations have been extended to all former members of the church. The Rev. Dr. Joseph Kelly, of the Fourth Presbyterian Church, will give a history of the church from 1870 to the present day. The services will close on Thursday morning with a reception to the ministers of the various Hyattsville churches.

Fifth Church Building. The new church building is located at Johnson and Peace streets, and is the fifth edifice used by this congregation. It is built of random rubble stone, and covers a space forty-five feet by fifty-five feet. The main entrance is on Johnson avenue. The main auditorium has a seating capacity of 300. In addition, there is a hall, a dining room, and a kitchen.

The congregation dates back to 1865, although the first record of the church holding services is in 1870, when a deed was given for the first or Patuxent Church, was given by Col. N. B. Beall. The first structure was erected in Upper Marlboro. The first pastor was the Rev. Nathaniel Taylor, who went to Marlboro to begin religious work in about 1865. He was succeeded by the Rev. John Wilson, who was also chosen the second moderator of the first presbytery in 1871. The third pastor was the Rev. Daniel McGill, who served from 1873 to 1878. Under his ministry the church was moved to its second site, near the old cemetery in Bladensburg.

Into Third Building. The Rev. Hugh Conn served the congregation for thirty-three years, dying suddenly while conducting a funeral service. During his pastorate the church moved into its third building near the center of Bladensburg.

The Rev. James Hunt came next, followed by the Rev. Charles E. Cunningham, Sammie Knox, Maffie Skinner, Wiley, and Veitch. The Rev. John Breckenridge then became pastor, and in 1891 he was succeeded by the Rev. John Breckenridge. He conducted a mission in Washington, out of which the First Presbyterian Church was organized in 1891. In the records of the Baltimore presbytery this minute is found: "At a called meeting at Bladensburg on the 10th of January, 1891, the Rev. John Breckenridge, of the First Presbyterian Church in Washington, presiding, measures were taken for the installation of the Rev. John Breckenridge in Washington."

Following the death of the Rev. Mr. Breckenridge, the Rev. E. B. Bowditch served for about seven years. In 1891 the Rev. W. R. Simpson took on the post, continuing until 1895. During the civil war the preaching was divided between the Rev. C. B. Mackie and the Rev. J. H. Smith. The latter continued to move to Hyattsville and occupied the fourth building, constructed on Maryland avenue. The pastors who followed were the Rev. J. H. Smith, the Rev. J. W. McElvain, the Rev. C. M. Livingston, the Rev. E. W. Ward, the Rev. James Kelly, and the Rev. Skellenger, who has been in charge since 1905.

Among the historic treasures owned by this congregation is a silver communion set, and a silver chalice, given by Queen Mary. This set has been deposited in the Presbyterian museum, in Philadelphia.

Lay Cornerstone of
Church Tomorrow

Mt. Pleasant Congregation to Hold Services With Members of Other Parishes.

The services in connection with the laying of the cornerstone for the new Mt. Pleasant Methodist Episcopal Church South, on sixteenth street, near Lamont street, will be held Tuesday at 2 o'clock.

Members of the congregation and Sunday school will assemble at the hall, 143 Park road, for preliminary services. Then, preceded by the Rev. Forest J. Pretzman, pastor, all will march to the new structure, which will be elaborately decorated.

The sermon will be delivered by Bishop Alpheus W. Wilson, of Baltimore. The stone will be placed by Dr. J. H. Smith, of the Washington and Sunday school and the members of other congregations and clergymen.

In the stone will be placed church papers and copies of the newspapers of Washington. Blocks of marble from Solomon's Parsonage at Jerusalem and the Parthenon at Athens, also will be inclosed.

Musical Programs for
All Souls' Tomorrow

At All Souls' Unitarian Church, the following musical programs have been arranged for the services tomorrow with Lewis Atwater at the organ and Charles Trowbridge as the soloist: Morning, vocal numbers, "Waxen," "Come Unto Me," "Canaan," organ numbers, prelude, "Alla Marcia," offertory, "The Lord's Prayer," all from Stoughton's "Persian Suite."

The evening program will be: Vocal, "Tarry With Me," "Morse," "Trust in the Lord," "Hand Organ," "Con Moto," "Rheinberger," "Chanson de Nuit," "Elixir," offertory, "Elevation," "Gounod," postlude, "Coronation March," "Meyerbeer."

At the morning offertory Miss Leckie will sing "Jesus, Lover of My Soul," by MacDougal.

HAPPENINGS OF THE
WEEK IN CAPITAL CHURCHES

Events of Interest in Religious Circles in the Past and Coming Weeks—Sermon Topics and Coming Weeks—Sermon Topics for Tomorrow.

Colonel Jenkins, of the Salvation Army, of New York, will preach in the First Baptist Church at the evening service tomorrow.

Major William Crawford will lead the service at Salvation Army Hall this evening. At 8 o'clock the Rev. Col. Jenkins will lead the 11 o'clock service tomorrow, and Adjutant McCutcheon the 8 o'clock service. The Philadelphia Band will play at both services. Col. Richard E. Halls will have charge of the musical services Monday at 8 p. m.

A program of songs and recitations was given at Potomac Methodist Church Wednesday evening for the benefit of the new building under auspices of the Epworth League, and directed by Earl Carbaugh.

Tomorrow will be "Every Member Canvass Day" at the Fourth Presbyterian Church. Forty persons have volunteered for the canvass, and every member of the congregation will be visited in the afternoon. Previous to the evening service a tea will be given at the church, and the experience of the afternoon.

At the Fourth Presbyterian Church tomorrow evening W. H. H. Smith will deliver the last of his series of lectures on the life of Christ from the Resurrection to the Ascension. The pastor, the Rev. Joseph T. Kelly will preach at the morning service.

Wednesday evening the annual meeting of the officers and teachers of the Presbyterian Church Sunday School will be held and reports presented.

The teachers' training class at the Fourth Presbyterian Church meets on Wednesday evenings at 7 o'clock, and devotes one hour to the work of the various departments of the Sunday school. Next Thursday evening the primary department will be discussed.

A cantata entitled "Penitence, Pardon, and Peace" will form part of the evening service at Eckington Presbyterian Church tomorrow evening at 7:45 o'clock. Harry G. Kimball is organist and director.

Miss Marie C. Brehm, representing the scientific method, will lecture at Eckington Presbyterian Church tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

"Social Brotherhood" will be the subject of an address by Louis F. Post, Assistant Secretary of Labor, at the Washington Baptist Church, tomorrow morning at 11:15 o'clock.

Dedicatory services will mark the opening of the mission, 515 Tennessee avenue northeast, tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock. Mrs. Helen A. Davis, evangelist, will preside. Public Bibles, and a musical program will form part of the service.

A brief meeting of the Washington Presbytery will be held at the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church Monday morning at 10 o'clock for the transaction of unfinished business.

At the weekly Bible Conference at Epiphany parish hall Thursday at 4 o'clock, the Rev. F. Hall will discuss upon "The Unjust Steward."

"Vacation Day" will be the subject of the sermon of the Rev. Dr. Wallace Radcliffe at the New York Avenue Presbyterian Church tomorrow morning. In the evening he will continue his series of talks on historic revivals, having as his topic, "The Great Awakening."

The Rev. George D. Berry, field secretary of the M. C. Union, will speak in the Church of the Covenant tomorrow morning, his subject being "The France of Today." The pastor, the Rev. Charles Wood, will preach the evening sermon on "The Message of Christianity to the Modern World About Capital and Labor."

At West Washington Baptist Church a mass meeting, postponed from last Sunday, will be participated in by twelve churches in the interest of prohibition for the District. Addresses will be made by J. M. Mitchell, of North Carolina, and A. B. Shoemaker, of this city, and A. W. Barkley, of Kentucky.

Tomorrow morning at the West Washington Baptist Church the Rev. E. D. J. will preach the concluding sermon of the series of "The Call of the World," the special subject being "A Man's Response to the World's Appeal." In the evening there will be baptism, and the question to be discussed will be "Hogs or Men?"

The Rev. Dr. James Shera Montgomery will reach at the Metropolitan Memorial M. E. Church tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. He will deliver a lecture on "A Message to a Doubting Man." In the event at 8 o'clock he will give the fourth lecture-sermon in the series. The heretics of yesterday, with the subject of "John Bunyan—The Bedford Tinker."

A marked growth in the membership of the Sunday afternoon Bible class, held at 3 o'clock in the Y. W. C. A. parlors, has been noted. The lessons are given by Mrs. Mary Chamberlain. In lecture form, the International Sunday school lessons being employed as subjects.

The topics for the W. H. Proctor men's Bible class at Hamilton M. E. Church, tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock follow. What Christian brotherhood demands today as to industrial relations, traffic, poverty, the ship with the Father, Jesus is the source in his love and friendship of his family of men, which means practical universal brotherhood and highest friendships.

At Union M. E. Church tomorrow at 11 o'clock, the pastor, the Rev. John MacMurray, will preach a sermon suitable to the occasion, "The Call of the Church and the State." At 4 o'clock he will give the last sermon of the series on "Babylon's Power."

The Right Rev. N. S. Thomas, bishop of Maryland, will preside at the Women's Auxiliary of St. John's Church in the parish hall, sixteenth and H streets, Monday at 11 o'clock.

James L. Slayden will lecture before the Men's Bible Class Chautauque at the M. P. Church, Cherrydale, Monday evening at 8 o'clock on "Hawaii."

The new chorus of Calvary Baptist Church will hold a rehearsal this evening at 8 o'clock, under the direction of Prof. Otto T. Simon.

At Shiloh Baptist Church tomorrow morning the thirty-sixth anniversary will be observed with patriotic hymns and the reading of excerpts from Washington's farewell address by the pastor, the Rev. Dr. J. Milton Waldron. At the night service Adjutant James Harvey of Roskopske will preach on "Work of the Salvation Army."

A paper on "Jewish Current Topics" was read by Henry Rabenowitz, at the Monday meeting of the Bible class of

the Washington Hebrew Literary and Bible Society of the Adath Israel Congregation.

Tomorrow will be a special day at Gunton-Temple Memorial Presbyterian Church. At 11 o'clock the Rev. Col. Jenkins will lead the 11 o'clock service tomorrow, and Adjutant McCutcheon the 8 o'clock service. The Philadelphia Band will play at both services. Col. Richard E. Halls will have charge of the musical services Monday at 8 p. m.

At the 6:45 o'clock service Miss Marie C. Brehm will speak, representing the Board of Temperance of the Presbyterian Church in the United States. She has been appointed a delegate to the twelfth international congress against alcoholism in London. She was a representative of the Presbyterian Church and the Interchurch Temperance Federation at the Hague in 1911, and a delegate to the congress at Milan, Italy, in 1912.

At Gunton-Temple Memorial Presbyterian Church the Rev. Dr. James Shera Montgomery will lecture on "One-Sided People."

At the Church of the Epiphany, O street, near Fourteenth street, tomorrow at 7:30 o'clock, Miss Margaret Ella Allen will be the soloist at the organ. At 8 o'clock the Rev. F. Hall will preach on "Red, White and Blue." February 27 will be observed as Denation day for the Episcopal Eye, Ear, and Throat Hospital.

Evangelist Edwin Horsey, of Buffalo, will preach at the Undenominational Mission House, Fourteenth street and Pennsylvania avenue southeast, tomorrow night on "The Four Judgments of the Past." Three Future. The address will be illustrated by a chart designed by A. E. Booth.

The Rev. Forest J. Pretzman will preach at the West Washington Baptist Church on February 27.

At Centennial Baptist Church, tomorrow morning, the pulpit will be occupied by Charles J. Sheets, who will preach on "Enough to Make Us Run." In the evening Charles E. Vrooman will speak on the theme, "A Yearning God." The Rev. H. Swenson, pastor of the church, is doing evangelistic work in New Jersey.

At Foundry M. E. Church tomorrow morning, the Rev. W. R. Wedderburn, will preach on "The Life Made Royal." In the evening, Col. William Peart, of New York, will speak of the work of the Salvation Army.

Under auspices of the Men's Bible Class of Douglas Memorial M. E. Church, the "Glad Story of Polly Anna" was given by Miss Mabel Mullins, of New York, on Wednesday evening.

The Rev. F. V. Atkinson will preach at Potomac Baptist Church tomorrow. He will discuss the subject "The Men's class of the Sunday school will meet on Monday evening. Charles E. Vrooman will entertain the older members of the school on Tuesday evening.

At the Metropolitan Baptist Church, tomorrow morning, the Men's Bible Class will move from its present quarters to the new building at 1000 Pennsylvania avenue. The Rev. John Compton Hall will preach in the theme, "Divine Love." The subject will be "One of America's Greatest Armies and One That Is Always Prepared."

The Rev. John E. Briggs, of the Fifth Baptist Church, will preach on "True Christianity" tomorrow morning, and on "The Christian's Confidence" in the evening.

Dr. Bertram Post, medical instructor in Robert College, at Constantinople, will speak in Eastern Presbyterian Church tomorrow night.

The eighth annual banquet of the Men's Bible Class Association, of the Washington and Potomac Presbyteries, will be held in the Metropolitan Memorial Lutheran Sunday school last night, with more than 200 members in attendance. The Rev. S. T. Nicholas was toastmaster. Among the speakers were Major Pullman, the Rev. C. Everett, the Rev. Frank Sewall, and the Rev. N. Black, J. H. Calvert, and Josef Rosner.

The Rev. Paul Sperry has been unanimously elected pastor of the Church of the New Jerusalem to succeed the Rev. Frank Sewall, who has served as pastor more than twenty years. The election took place at a special meeting of the Washington Society in the parish hall Thursday night.

At the close of the meeting, Prof. Stanford, of the Department of Agriculture, gave an illustrated lecture, showing prehistoric plants, fruits and vegetables from the world by Incas, Aztecs, and other ancient peoples of South American and Mexican states.

The Rev. Hiram Vrooman, of Illinois, will speak at the church last Sunday, is announced to deliver a second lecture on "Divine Revelation" tomorrow night.

The rite of confirmation will be administered to a class at Grace Episcopal Church, Georgetown, tomorrow afternoon at 5 o'clock by the Right Rev. Ethelbert Talbot, bishop of the Diocese of Columbia.

He will officiate in place of Bishop Harding, of the Washington Diocese, who has been indisposed for the past two weeks. The Rev. Robert Talbot, 325 Twenty-third street northwest, yesterday afternoon spoke before the Congressional Club on the "Cowboys and the Miners of Wyoming."

The Rev. George W. Atkinson, Jr., pastor of Grace Church, announced there will be no evening service tomorrow.

Workers' Conference
At Eckington Church

A "personal workers' conference" will be held in Eckington Presbyterian Church beginning Wednesday, March 1, and continuing seven weeks, the conference to be held each evening at 7:45 o'clock.

The Rev. Dr. H. E. Brundage, pastor, will conduct the conference. The following subjects will be considered and studied: "Problems About the Bible," "Evidences of Bible Truths," "Fundamental Christian Doctrines," "Errors in Popular Fads in Religion," "Methods in Dealing With People."

Officers of the Hebrew Home for the Aged were the hosts at an informal dinner last night to representatives of the central Jewish relief committee. Toasts were responded to by Rabbi M. S. Markovitz, of New York; Mrs. S. Eklund, chairman of the women's organization committee; President Danzansky, of the board of directors of the Home for the Aged; and Rabbi Ben-

CATHOLIC
REALITY TO ASSIST

To Receive Monthly Communion at 8 o'clock at St. Patrick's Church Tomorrow.

At St. Patrick's Church tomorrow the masses will be celebrated at 7, 8, 9 and 11 o'clock. At the 8 o'clock mass members of the Children of Mary Sodality will assist and receive their monthly communion.

The Rev. M. P. Egan will sing the last mass, which will be solemn high, and two priests affiliated with Catholic University will act as deacon and sub-deacon.

The sermon will be delivered by the Rev. John M. McNamara, and the Rev. Thomas J. McGuigan will serve as master of ceremonies.

At 4 o'clock the Rev. James A. Smyth will preside at the devotions for the Children of Mary, and at 7:30 o'clock there will be the weekly meeting of the League of the Good Shepherd, with Mrs. Russell officiating.

Instead of the regular sermon Mr. Russell will answer questions that have been placed in the question box at the entrance of the church. This will be followed by the benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, during which the sanctuary clock will render the hymn, "There has been a marvelous increase in attendance at evening prayer services lately at 5 p. m. These devotions are brief, consisting of evening prayers, exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and hymns by the Sanctuary choir. Services on Friday afternoon devotions are longer and take the form of the "Holy Hour of Adoration." On this day the services begin at 4:30 o'clock.

CHURCH ANNOUNCES
MUSICAL PROGRAMS

First Congregational to Hear Splendid Selections Tomorrow.

The musical programs for the service tomorrow at the First Congregational Church, as arranged by Dr. William Stansfeld, organist and choir master, will be as follows: Morning, organ prelude, "Invocation"; Dubois; anthem, "Gloria"; Haydn; anthem, "Forever With the Lord"; Gounod; offertory, "Agnus Dei"; "My Song"; "Pilgrim's Chorus"; Wagner. For the evening, organ prelude, "Ave Evening"; Schubert; hymn, "Benediction"; "When Night Involves the Sky"; Schelley; offertory, "Come Ye Disciples"; Schaefer.

Following the evening program the following numbers will